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# 'We will bring you home very soon': father of missing boy

**Amber alert.** Parents of missing child tell him to stay strong as search continues

With still no trace of their missing son, a Calgary couple went public Wednesday with an impassioned plea for the safe return of their "little angel" and his grandparents.

There's been no trace of five-year-old Nathan O'Brien and his grandparents, Alvin and Kathryn Liknes, since they were last seen Sunday at their Parkhill-area home.

The trio was first reported missing Monday morning and investigators have said there's evidence to suggest they didn't leave voluntarily.

Police announced an Amber Alert early Monday evening and, as of Wednesday, had fielded more than 100 tips from across Canada, including possible sightings of the trio.

But with no suspects and no



Jen and Rod O'Brien speak to the media at police headquarters about their missing five-year-old son, Nathan O'Brien, inset, and his grandparents Alvin and Kathryn Liknes on Wednesday afternoon.

CANDICE WARD/FOR METRO, INSET: CONTRIBUTED

motive, Nathan's parents Jennifer and Rod O'Brien made a public plea to whoever was in custody of their loved ones.

"Please find it in your heart to drop off our little angel Nathan to (where) he can be

rescued and reunited with his brothers and his family," Rod said.

Rod said his son is the "glue" of the west-end neighbourhood he, his parents and two other siblings call home. He's said

to be a chatty youngster and prefers wearing costumes to regular clothes, a quality that earned the nickname "superhero."

Both Rod and Jen spoke directly to their son, urging him to

be brave and stay strong.

"Nathan, you are our superhero right now and we will bring you home very soon," Rod said, firmly holding a butterfly craft made by his son.

Jen added, "I know grandma is holding so tightly right now and taking care of you."

Police, meanwhile, are asking anyone who purchased items from an estate sale held by the Liknes pair over the weekend to stop by the Parkhill Community Centre, located at 4013 Stanley Rd. SW, on Thursday and supply investigators with a photo of what they bought.

"We just want to make sure that we're aware of what was sold and this way we can determine if anything is missing from the residence — in other words, if anything was taken after the estate sale was completed," said police Staff Sgt. Doug Andrus.

Anyone with information about the case is asked to contact 403-266-1234 or Crime Stoppers. **JEREMY NOLAIS/METRO**

### How you can help

- The Missing Children Society of Canada is urging those wanting to help find Nathan O'Brien and his grandparents to sign on for their Milk Carton 2.0 program. The initiative sees Good Samaritans donate their social media feeds — Facebook, Twitter, FourSquare — to the organization, allowing it to rapidly provide information to a broader audience, explained executive director Amanda Pick. "Essentially, you're allowing us to post directly on your news feed," she said. "It includes yourself but everybody in your network as well."

- For more information or to sign on, head to [valuableproject.ca](http://valuableproject.ca).

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# Hold your horses: Caution required at STI boom time

**Health.** Rise in chlamydia cases reported ahead of Stampede, which tends to see a jump in sexually transmitted infections



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Calgarians are being urged to think twice before knocking boots this Stampede, as new numbers show the province isn't meeting targets around combatting sexually transmitted infections.

Provincial data released this week show 400 out of every 100,000 Albertans acquired chlamydia in 2013 — off from the health department's target of 310 and up from the five-year average.

Pam Krause, head of the Calgary Sexual Health Centre, noted the rate is trending upward in recent years. She added this is a timely discussion to have heading into a 10-day event that's notorious for wanton behaviour.

"There's a spike in STIs during Stampede," Krause said Wednesday. "There's no question."

"It really speaks to that sense of permission that you

get to go play."

Her remarks were based on anecdotal evidence from clients who incur unplanned pregnancies, and observations that waiting rooms are busier six weeks after the world's largest rodeo extravaganza.

The Health Ministry, which tracks new sex infections, also reported cases of gonorrhea had dropped year-over-year but the rate was still above the annual target and previous three-year average.

When it comes to chlamydia, Alberta's top doctor classified the annual increase as "sizeable," albeit not yet grounds for major alarm.

"It's not of the same level of concern we had when syphilis rates were really increasing," said Dr. James Talbot in an interview.

Health officials have tried to curb the spread of infections through public awareness, such as the Sex Germs campaign that relied on using icky terms like Buttholiosis to generate attention.

Talbot said the \$1.6-million campaign resonated with young adults, citing the results of an independent review. He also credited a previous campaign — the equally racy PlentyofSyph.com — for halting cases of congenital syphilis.

"We want people to practise mutual monogamy, abstinence and use barrier contraception," Talbot said. "Failing that, we want them to go in for regular check-ups so they can be tested and treated appropriately."

Krause suggested provincial authorities need to work more in tandem with community-based groups to stop



Calgarians planning to partake in booze-fuelled Stampede revelry are being urged to practise safe sex, especially in light of a rise in new cases of chlamydia. THE CANADIAN PRESS FILE

the spread of sexually transmitted infections.

"The public awareness is great, but I just don't see that it has that really good stick

over the long run," she said.

Her organization will be distributing thousands of condoms at bars during the Stampede and has long run

the "Put a Condom on Your Cowboy" poster campaign.

Krause did, however, credit the province for putting the issue on "people's radar."

## By the numbers

**400**

New cases of chlamydia reported per 100,000 population, according to the Alberta Health 2013-14 annual report.

# Committee aims to keep McCall Lake open

Golfers politely applauded Wednesday after members of city council voted unanimously to abandon a proposal that would have seen the McCall Lake Golf Course partially sold and completely redeveloped.

The committee decision still needs to be approved by council as a whole but, for all intents and purposes, it spares the northeast course from the axe that had been hanging over it since February 2013.

That's when city staff first



The McCall Lake Golf Course. METRO FILE

unveiled a plan to repurpose the site for commercial, industrial and other recreational use.

## By the numbers

**\$34.5M**

Estimated capital-spending requirements on city-owned golf courses over the next 10 years.

After studying the land-sale plan in more detail, however, city administrators decided it wasn't as feasible as first thought.

The money generated

"would not meet the project's goals" of providing funds for both new recreational facilities on the McCall Lake site and paying for much-needed renovations at other courses, golf-course operations manager Kyle Ripley said.

About \$34.5 million in upgrades are required over the next 10 years, Ripley noted, adding that the city will have to find "an alternate capital funding mechanism" for the work.

Brian Hughes was one of

several golfers who urged city councillors to save the course.

He said he was pleased by the committee's decision because municipal golf courses offer an affordable and entry-level opportunity for people interested in the sport.

"I'm passionate about saving McCall Lake because I started off golfing at a municipal golf course in my home town of Thunder Bay, (Ont.)," Hughes said. "Where I started is where a lot of people start."

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## 'An eye-opener'

## The 'drunk driving' suit ready for a spin

In a bid to simulate the dangers of impaired driving, a handful of participants stumbled around a southeast car dealership Wednesday wearing a so-called drunk driving suit.

The getup consisted of weighted pads, restrictive

bracing and vision-blurring goggles.

"It was an eye-opener to see just what that suit can do," said Travis Eade of Woodridge Ford Lincoln, where the stunt was held.

Police and the carmaker plan to take the suit around to demonstrations for area youth.

The suit is part of a program aimed at youth

and is particularly relevant around the booze-fuelled festivities of the Calgary Stampede, he added.

It also comes days after a 25-year-old BMW driver was killed in a crash in which police say alcohol was a factor.

Insp. Ken Thrower said drug- or alcohol-impaired becomes even more dangerous in the context

of other road hazards such as distracted driving, driver fatigue and speeding.

"When you're drinking, don't drive — that's the bottom line," Thrower said.

"When you're using narcotics or mixing the two, it's a recipe for disaster."

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Strapping on the "drunk driving suit." BRYAN WEISMILLER/METRO

# Arsonist suspected in Falconridge fires

**A 'war zone.'** Arson unit investigating six blazes along one alley.



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Residents living in a north-east Calgary neighbourhood fear their properties are being targeted by a serial arsonist, as four garages along a single block have been gutted by fire in recent months and there's evidence of further attempts to cause destruction.

The first suspected arson in the alleyway between Falsby Road and Falconridge Drive NE occurred in May, according to multiple residents, and the most recent blaze broke out over the weekend, destroying a camper and melting the siding off a nearby garage.

"Somebody's going to die," said Charlene, a Falsby

Road NE resident who first alerted Metro to the fires. "If somebody drives down my lane, I mean, it looks like a war zone. We have destroyed garages, we have destroyed sheds, we have destroyed campers, burnt fences, burnt trees — all of the siding is melted around them."

Charlene, who requested her last name be withheld amid fears she would be targeted next, said it's become almost routine to stand outside in the middle of the night chatting with neighbours while watching fire crews douse the latest fire.

Numerous residents said there have been as many as six to seven arson and attempted arson incidents since May, which was backed by an online crime-tracking website maintained by the Calgary Police Service.

The Calgary Fire Department's arson unit is investigating the blazes, according to spokesperson Carol Henke.



Josefina Fajardo points to a neighbour's camper destroyed by a fire believed to be deliberately set. Six fires have allegedly been started on the same block since May. JEREMY NOLAÏS/METRO

## Speeding. Police vow to boost enforcement

Calgary's police chief pledged Wednesday to boost both in-person and electronic speed enforcement on city streets after repeatedly hearing from members of city council and the public.

"There's not (one) community we go to where one of the top issues, if not the top issue, is traffic safety," Chief Rick Hanson told reporters. "We will do everything we can to make the streets safer."

That will include "more police officers out there during enforcement" and "more electronic enforcement," Hanson added.

Coun. Shane Keating said "speeding, specifically on residential collector roads" is the No. 1 concern he hears from his Ward 12 constituents, and a lot of councillors "are in the same boat."

Keating asked Hanson if bylaw officers could be retrained to do more traffic enforcement, but the chief said police prefer to handle it "comprehensively" as a "core function" of their larger crime-fighting strategy.

"Individual, officer-based traffic enforcement is vital," Hanson said.

"It's amazing the number of traffic stops where there

are other infractions."

The chief also voiced support for stiffer fines for speeding in residential areas, saying it's something the provincial government should take a "good, serious look at." ROBSON FLETCHER/METRO

In 2013

## Winter, flood increase fatalities

The flood and the especially cold winter made last year an "aberration" in a number of traffic respects, Hanson added. He said not too much should be read into the total of 40 traffic fatalities in 2013 — a 39 per cent jump over the previous five-year average — but added it's something police are monitoring.

"Statistics are such that every year there's a variation," Hanson said. "If last year was a bad one, then this year is one where you could see a drop because we are putting extra effort into the enforcement."

# Teen carried by Highwood River still missing



Justin McNeil disappeared a week and a half ago. METRO FILE

Family members are still spending a dozen hours each day searching along the Highwood River for a Calgary man swept away a week and a half ago, but RCMP say it could take weeks for his body to surface.

Justin McNeil, a 19-year-old heavy-duty mechanic, either fell or jumped into the river June 22 while camping with friends at Nature's Hideaway.

Eyewitness accounts suggest he was instantly carried away by the strong current — the Highwood was under a high-streamflow advisory at

the time.

Family members, some coming in from Nova Scotia, have searched the river using boats and walked along the banks for days, searching for any clues that McNeil made it to shore.

But Okotoks RCMP Sgt. Donna Rorison gave no indication that was a possibility in an interview Wednesday.

"The truth is we're out of places to look for now," she said. "We're at the mercy of the river."

RCMP are still making rou-

tine passes over the Highwood in a helicopter, and a member patrolling the banks, but Cathy McNeil, Justin's adopted mother, said it does seem their search effort has tapered off in recent days.

She said the RCMP have refused to put their own boats or divers into the water, stating conditions were too dangerous.

"That's hard for us to accept," she said. "We've seen people boating along there and it doesn't seem to be that bad."

Cathy said a few dozen

Quoted

"We're at the mercy of the river."

RCMP Sgt. Donna Rorison

family, friends and even complete strangers have helped search for Justin, and said Wednesday she hasn't given up on her boy.

"There's always hope," she said. "You can never give up hope, no matter what."

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## QR-code payment system. Pay to park in Calgary just by pressing a button

Downtown commuters can now pay for parking with a simple press of a button.

The Calgary Parking Authority has formally launched a QR-code payment system for its on-street and lot parking.

Those wishing to try the new method simply scan the code or enter the URL at [vpm.parkplus.ca](http://vpm.parkplus.ca). This method doesn't require a CPA cell-phone payment account.

After scanning, the smart-phone flashes to a screen

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where the user enters the zone they're parked in, vehicle licence plate number and the desired amount of parking time. Then, a second screen is reached where the user enters his or her credit card information. **METRO**

### Survey

## What do you think of the city's police?

The Calgary Police Commission launched its 2014 Citizen Survey, to gauge the public's perception of the work done by this city's men and women in blue.

The survey period runs until Aug. 26. Calgarians,

through random sampling, will be contacted via land line or cellphone.

"The Calgary Police Commission Citizen Survey provides us with valuable information and feedback, directly from citizens, that we can use to ensure the Calgary Police Service is meeting our community's needs," said commission chair Rodney Fong. **METRO**

# Stampede, Enmax team up to build community park



Gianna Manes, left, Vern Kimball, and Bob Thompson shovel dirt into one of the first trees in the park. KEN VAN DE WALLE/FOR METRO

**Year-round.** The project, to be funded in part by city power provider Enmax, is estimated to cost \$15M

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The Calgary Stampede set things off with a bang with the announcement that a new riverfront park will be built.

The east side of Stampede Park along the banks of the Elbow River will be transformed over the coming years to create a \$15-million, year-round community gathering place known as Enmax Park.

"This park is going to revitalize the Elbow riverfront, create a space for Calgarians and visitors to enjoy this beautiful waterway," said Steve Snyder, co-chair for the Calgary Stampede Foundation campaign.

The plan was announced on Wednesday and is being touted as an open-air museum and classroom. The park, funded in part by city power provider Enmax, will turn a space currently used for parking and small industrial use into a large park.

"It will be a wonderful addition to the Calgary Stampede," said Vern Kimball, CEO of the Calgary Stampede.

"It will be terrific at Stampede time, it will be the home of Indian Village, and will provide wonderful rest space and picnic space for families."

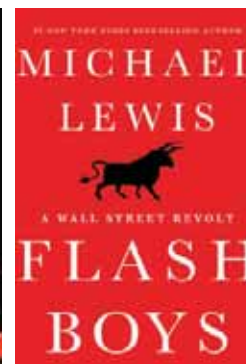
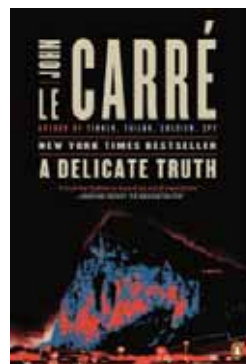
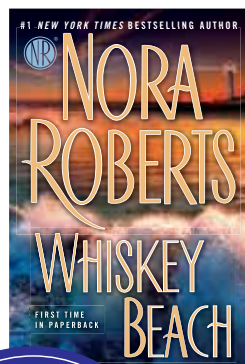
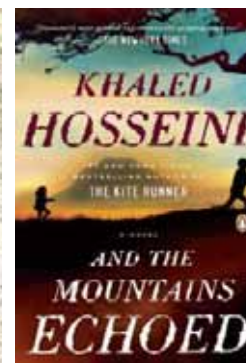
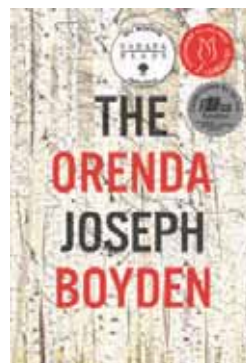
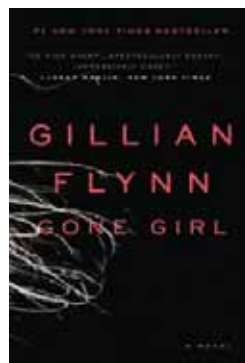
Construction will start at the conclusion of this year's Calgary Stampede, with a planned opening date in 2016.

### Enmax Park

## \$15M

The amount of money that will be spent on the year-round community gathering place, which will be called Enmax Park, along the banks of Elbow River.

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Alberta Education Minister Jeff Johnson is seen in this file photo. Union representatives for Alberta's teachers shot back at the province Wednesday, after the education minister requested school boards disclose details, including complaints filed against its teachers. METRO FILE

## Teachers' union slams education minister

**July 11 deadline.**  
Minister's request for employment information 'none of his business': ATA



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Union representatives for Alberta's teachers fired back at the province Wednesday, after the education minister requested school boards disclose details, including complaints filed against its teachers.

On June 26, Minister Jeff Johnson requested the province's school boards hand over any paperwork detailing complaints lodged against teachers, along with information pertaining to teachers who had resigned, retired or were suspended or terminated.

The boards were given until July 11 to comply.

On Wednesday, the Alberta Teachers' Association turned to the province's information and privacy commissioner to determine whether it's legal for the boards to disclose such information, which could include personal details

and medical records.

"The minister has claimed that there are teachers who are not being held responsible for egregious acts, and we have challenged him to substantiate his anecdotal reports," said ATA president Mark Ramsankar in a release.

"This in no way justifies the minister's intrusive demand for employment information that, frankly, is none of his business. School boards, not Jeff Johnson, employ teachers, and school boards, not Jeff Johnson, are responsible for hiring and firing teachers."

In the letter, Johnson identifies a concern for the way teachers who act inappropriately are currently dealt with, suggesting there are issues with the current process.

"I need your assistance to help me better understand these issues," he wrote to school boards.

Despite Johnson's assurances the information would be used for internal use only, Ramasankar said there could be sensitive personal information, including medical reports, leaked during the disclosure since school board offices are generally short-staffed in the summer months.

## Calgary's flood response a model to follow, but not perfect: Report

Calgary's emergency response to the June 2013 flood was a model that other jurisdictions should try to emulate, according to an independent report released Wednesday.

The review, carried out by the Conference Board of Canada, made several recommendations to improve the city's

policies but put a greater emphasis on maintaining current "best practices."

"We do encourage you to act on (the recommendations)," said Dr. Satyamoorthy Kabilan, the director responsible for the report. "But we'd like to make sure you're acting on them not in the absence of maintaining

what you do really well."

Calgary Emergency Management Agency director Bruce Burrell welcomed the praise but said it would be a mistake for city officials to rest on their laurels, as emergency responses need to constantly improve.

"It's like going up the down escalator," he said. "If you stop

you're in trouble."

One key area for improvement, according to the report, is to "further prioritize the mental health and well-being of EOC (Emergency Operations Centre) officials and first responders" to mitigate the impacts of frayed nerves and stress. **ROBSON FLETCHER/METRO**



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## Midnight ride

## Ex-president faces charges in French corruption probe

Former French president Nicolas Sarkozy's car wheeled out of the court parking lot in the dead of night Wednesday after he was charged in a corruption probe.

The former conservative party leader is accused of tapping political allies to gain intelligence on a flurry of probes linked to campaign finance. He has vigorously denied wrongdoing and planned to address the latest allegations on television Wednesday.

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Former French president Nicolas Sarkozy THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

## Arrests

## 511

In a rare scene of disorder, Hong Kong authorities cleared out hundreds of protesters who blocked part of the city's financial district early Wednesday, a high-profile reflection of rising anxiety over Beijing's tightening grip on the little enclave of incomplete democracy at the southeastern edge of Communist China. Police arrested 511 people who staged an unauthorized overnight sit-in on an avenue running through the heart of the city after a rally the day before in which tens of thousands of demonstrators marched in the streets to push for the right to elect their leader free of limits Beijing wants to impose.

## 83 years late

## Long, loong-lost letter delivered

A letter written by a Maine school teacher in 1931 to her mother 150 miles away has finally been delivered — 83 years later.

Miriam McMichael, then 23, sent the nine-page letter from Houlton to Dollena McMichael in Pittsfield. Both women have since died. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

# Target-ing a 'family-friendly' environment

**'Open carry.'** Retailer asking shoppers to not bring firearms into its stores, even where allowed by law

Target is "respectfully" asking its customers not to bring firearms into its stores, even where the practice is allowed by law.

In a statement posted Wednesday on the retailer's corporate blog, interim CEO John Mulligan said that Target wants a "safe and inviting" atmosphere for its shoppers and employees.

"This is a complicated issue, but it boils down to a simple belief: Bringing firearms to Target creates an environment that is at odds with the family-friendly shopping and work experience we strive to create," he said.

In many states, carrying

unconcealed guns in public is legal.

Molly Snyder, a Target spokeswoman, said that Target's move is a "request and not a prohibition."

"We don't have any plans for proactive communication to guests beyond what Target leadership shared today," she added.

Target does not sell guns in its stores or on its website.

Target Corp. made the announcement as it faced pressure about its policy on the "open carry" of firearms in its stores. A group called Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in America gathered nearly 400,000 signatures for a petition asking Target to prohibit shoppers from carrying guns into its stores.

The group has said it is responsible for getting several chains, including Chipotle, Starbucks and Jack in the Box, to make similar moves. It



In this 2013 photo, shoppers arrive at a Target store in Los Angeles. DAMIAN DOVARGANES/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

introduced the campaign after gun rights groups carrying loaded rifles frequently gathered in Target stores in Texas,

Alabama and North Carolina to demonstrate in support of "open carry" laws.

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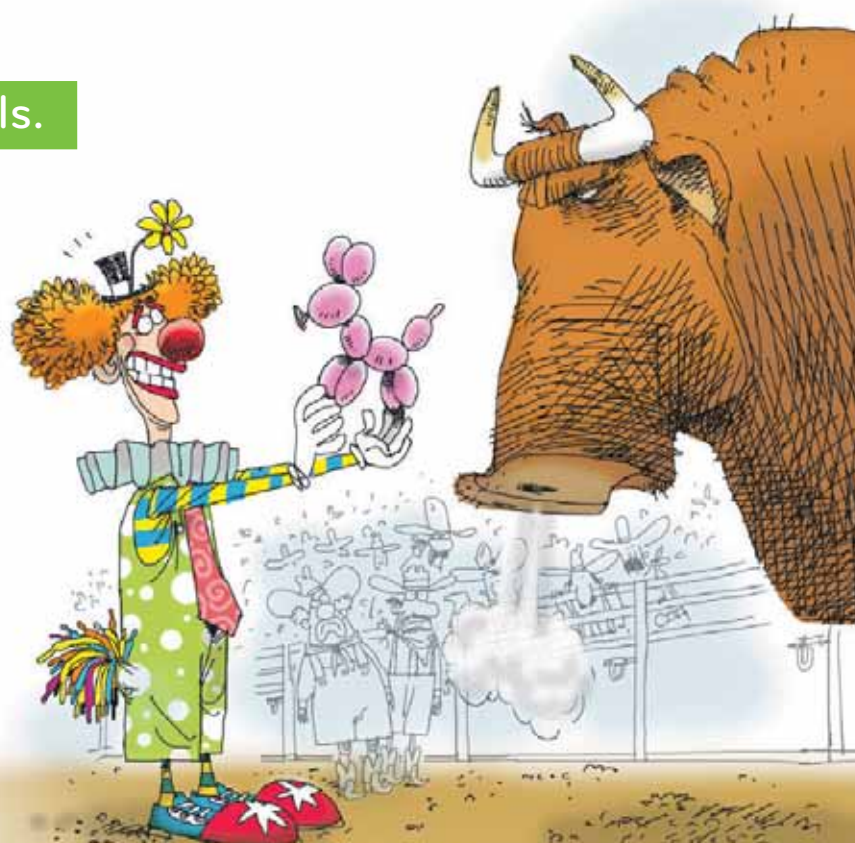
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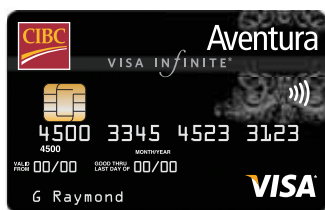
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Toronto Mayor Rob Ford in an executive committee meeting Wednesday. CHRIS SO/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

# Putting the focus on Ford

Toronto's Mayor Rob Ford returned to city hall this week after two months in rehab, pleading for a second chance. He sat down Wednesday with a handful of television networks for one-on-one interviews.

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## ON DOING DRUGS

The stress of running Canada's largest city is not what drove Rob Ford to substance abuse, he said Wednesday. Ford told CBC he has been under the influence of alcohol while at city hall as mayor, but never used drugs there.

He was adamant that his professional life is not what prompted his substance abuse, saying he was born with a disease and he will die with it.

"I think people don't understand the triggers and cravings," Ford said. "Some people blame it on their job. This is a disease that was not this job."

## ON HIS FITNESS FOR HOLDING OFFICE

Ford said he drank and did drugs "for years" before he was elected mayor. The drugs he used ran the gamut, he said, telling TV station CP24 that he had done mushrooms, marijuana and "everything you can think of," but not heroin.

When asked if someone with uncontrolled cravings is fit for the office of mayor, Ford insisted the job is not one of his triggers.

Ford would not commit to resigning if he relapses, saying only that he is taking it one day at a time.

"I did not drink yesterday and I haven't drank today," he said.

## ON THE POLICE INVESTIGATION

Ford has vowed to no longer associate "with the criminal element that's before the courts," but said on the advice of his lawyer he still will not consent to an interview with the police. Toronto police spokesman Mark Pugash said Wednesday the criminal investigation into the mayor is ongoing.

The embattled mayor also admitted he was smoking crack cocaine just days before he left for rehab, confirming that was the substance in a pipe he was seen holding in a video image obtained by the Globe and Mail.

## ON MAKING RACIST, HOMOPHOBIC SLURS

Ford also said the disease makes people say and do things they otherwise wouldn't do and he offered a blanket apology for using ethnic slurs and making reportedly homophobic remarks.

"Everything I said while I was using — I offended a lot of people and all I can do is apologize and say sorry," Ford told CP24 when asked if he would apologize to Toronto's "diverse community."

"I cannot change the past and I think that covers everything that you just mentioned."

## War crimes. Secret memo suggests U.S. had no basis to charge Omar Khadr

A previously secret memo on CIA involvement in drone killings is casting new doubt on whether the American government had any legal basis to prosecute Canada's Omar Khadr for war crimes.

Khadr's lawyers argue in new filings to the U.S. Court of Military Commission Review, the document by the Department of Justice emphatically rejects any such legal foundation, and say his convictions at Guantanamo Bay should be set aside immediately.

The memo, produced in July 2010, came to light only last month after a court ordered it disclosed in a freedom of information case. Specifically, the U.S. Department of Defence wanted to know whether CIA agents who operated drones — but who are not part of the military and do not wear uniforms — could be considered "unprivileged belligerents" and therefore be guilty potentially of war crimes.

In a detailed opinion several months before Khadr pleaded guilty before a widely maligned military commission, the office of legal counsel in the Department of Justice concluded war criminality turns on a person's actions, not on factors such as



Omar Khadr appears in an Edmonton courtroom in 2013 in an artist's sketch. AMANDA MCROBERTS/THE CANADIAN PRESS

whether the person is part of an army or wears a uniform.

"That completely blows away one of the major prongs of the government's theory in all these Guantanamo cases," Sam Morison, Khadr's Pentagon-based lawyer, said in an interview Wednesday.

In Khadr's case, the Pentagon maintained that as an unprivileged belligerent, Khadr had violated the "U.S. common law of war" in taking up hostilities against American forces.

However, the legal analysis in the CIA case makes no mention of any such body of law.

"The whole purpose ... was to evaluate whether the CIA agents were violating the law," Morison said. "The only reasonable interpretation of that analysis is that there is no such thing (as common law of war)."

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## Prairies flood victims trying to keep calm and carry on

Murray Blakwill carries a cooler of food he recovered from his parents' flooded home in Springside, Sask., Wednesday. Nearly 90 communities in Saskatchewan and Manitoba have declared emergencies because of flooding and more than 500 people have been forced to leave their homes. LIAM RICHARDS/THE CANADIAN PRESS

## Miami nice. Canadian government looking to unload Florida mansion

The federal government is putting a multimillion-dollar Miami mansion back on the market five years after buying it for \$1.9 million.

The Department of Foreign Affairs is looking for a Miami real estate agent to sell the opulent property, which has served as the Canadian government's official residence since 2009.

An unofficial estimate on real estate website Zillow.com puts the value of the 7,466-square-foot property at almost \$5.5 million.

The sale comes as the department looks to scale back on its international properties to generate \$80 million in revenues over the coming years — an initiative announced as part

of Ottawa's 2012 budget.

"Under the strategy, high cost, oversized and/or poorly located housing is being replaced by more appropriately sized and located properties," departmental spokesman John Babcock wrote in an email to Torstar. "In various cities across the U.S.A., Canada will replace up to 12 properties that are larger than we currently require. One of these is Miami."

The Zillow listing notes that "no expense was spared" in the construction of the Spanish-style mansion, which features high ceilings for natural light, staff quarters, and a saltwater heated pool surrounded by "lush landscaping."

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The Canadian federal government is selling this property it owns in Miami. CONTRIBUTED



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Billions of electronic devices around the world that are constantly on "standby" are wasting enough electricity each year to power 80 per cent of Canada's needs, says a new report.

And it's only going to get worse, says the International Energy Agency, unless we do something about it. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

## Qantas Airways

### Plane turns around due to water leak

Water flowed down the aisles and rained down on passengers of a double-decker Qantas Airways flight bound for Australia after a leak that forced the plane to return to Los Angeles late Tuesday, airline officials and passengers on the flight said.

The flight to Melbourne landed safely again at Los Angeles International Airport about an hour after takeoff, the company said. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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## Porter must pay in cash when it bumps passengers: Agency

### Forced to refine system.

Carrier ordered to pay passengers cold, hard cash, not \$500 vouchers for future travel, when passengers are bumped

The Canadian Transportation Agency has ordered Porter Airlines to pay cash to passengers bumped from domestic flights.

The regulator has given the carrier, which operates turboprops primarily from Toronto City Centre Airport, until July 8 to detail the actual compensation.

Porter currently doesn't have a compensation policy for passengers bumped due to overbooking from flights

### Air Canada must also pay

Air Canada was previously ordered to pay cash compensation to bumped passengers on domestic flights.

- It pays between \$200 to \$800 in cash, depending on the length of the delay, for flights within Canada and from Canada to the U.S. It pays up to \$650 and \$1,300 for delays involving flights from the U.S. to Canada.

within Canada, but has provided a \$500 voucher for future travel as a "goodwill gesture."

Responding to a complaint

from air passenger rights activist Gabor Lukacs, the agency found Porter's current policy was "unreasonable."

It also ordered the airline to either rebook passengers on Porter or other airlines or provide a free flight back to the point of origin if the bumped passengers no longer wants to continue their travel.

The CTA previously ordered Porter to compensate bumped passengers traveling from Canada to the United States. In that case, Porter must pay twice the total one-way fare or up to \$650 if passengers arrive at their destination one to four hours later than scheduled, and four times the fare or up to \$1,300 if they're more than four hours late.

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### Ceili is hoping to squeeze back into her dog sweater

Staff worker Kelli Quinones walks golden retriever Ceili on a treadmill at the Morris Animal Inn in Morristown, N.J., in June. For Ceili, it was easy to fatten up when living with a boy who pushed tasty morsels over the edge of his high chair. The extra weight led Eileen Bowers of Bedminster, N.J., to sign up the more-than-100-pound pooch for a five-day fitness camp last month at Morris Animal Inn. The camp offers swimming, nature hikes, treadmill trots, facials, massages and healthy treats like organic granola, string beans and carrots. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

## Lawsuit. LiLo claims maker of Grand Theft Auto stole ... her image

Lindsay Lohan is suing the makers of the Grand Theft Auto video games. The actress says the latest installment used her image and created a character based on her without her permission.

Lohan's lawsuit was filed Wednesday in a Manhattan court.

Grand Theft Auto V game maker Take-Two Interactive Software Inc. and subsidiary



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## GOING BACK TO NOWHERE

I come from nowhere. More specifically, I come from New Brunswick.

I'm taking my girlfriend there in a couple of weeks and she thinks I'm underselling my home province — maybe because I keep saying the three best things are my friends, my family and edible seaweed, not necessarily in that order.

But it's a tricky thing, explaining New Brunswick. I'm finding describing my home province a bit like trying to explain depth to a two-dimensional life form or purple to a blind person. New Brunswick has its pros and cons but to most of the country it's a cipher, an empty space. If it were eliminated from the map by nuclear warfare, all you'd say when you got out of your car is that the drive to Nova Scotia is faster than you remember.



**HE SAYS**  
**John Mazerolle**  
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Think about it. Can you name the best hockey player to come out of New Brunswick? No? In Canada, doesn't that mean it might as well not be there? And what about the best musician from N.B.? The best actor? The most striking landmark? The most famous building? What you like the most? The least? Do you even know what the old Brunswick is?

You might have very positive views about Toronto or Saskatchewan, or you might wish Godzilla would visit those places. But you probably have some idea what it is you are loving or hating.

What springs to mind when you think of New Brunswick? It's like a zen koan, designed to free your mind of conscious thought. It's not a good thing or a bad thing. It's just there. Or not. New Brunswick, the new play by Samuel Beckett.

It's been a problem for people in New Brunswick too, as can be

seen in years of failed advertising slogans so vague as to be meaningless: "Wow!" was one. No, really. It was just "New Brunswick: Wow!" Another was "Be ... In This Place," which really does seem like a zen koan.

And when New Brunswickers aren't being vague, they're trying too darn hard. The province's biggest boosters often seem like people striking up the band so you won't notice the ship is sinking. My hometown, Saint John, has taken to calling itself Renaissance City since I left, which is only accurate in that Saint John often leaves you wondering if you've returned to the 16th century.

Keep in mind, I like Being ... In That Place. It's just no obvious consensus has been reached on what New Brunswick is or what it can be. For most of Canada, it's just nothing, but from a tourism perspective I can laud the French-English mix, whale watching, a couple of great national parks and some beautiful sunsets.

I'm not sure I could move back, but I know there's enough beauty there for me to pull my girlfriend close and whisper sweet New Brunswicks in her ear. Wow.

### MILITANTS AT WORK



Iraqis who have fled recent fighting in the cities of Mosul and Tal Afar try to enter a temporary displacement camp but are blocked by Kurdish soldiers on Wednesday in Khazair, Iraq. For more images of refugee life in Iraq over the past week, scan this image with your Metro News app. ALL PHOTOS SPENCER PLATT/GETTY IMAGES

### The Islamic State looks to tighten grip on land

Fresh from success in Iraq, a Sunni extremist group tried to tighten its hold Wednesday on territory in

Syria and crush pockets of resistance on land straddling the border where it has declared the foundation of an Islamic state.

The militant group has fed off the chaos and supercharged sectarian atmosphere of Syria's civil war to seize control of a large chunk of territory there. With its recent blitz across Iraq, it has expanded its gains while also effectively erasing the border between the two countries and laying the groundwork of its proto-state.

The group this week unilaterally declared the establishment of an Islamic state governed by Shariah law and demanded that all Muslims pledge allegiance to it.

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### Who are the Islamic State?

The Islamic State of Iraq and Syria, now calling themselves simply the Islamic State, are an al-Qaida breakaway group.

- Extremists have long dreamed of recreating the Islamic state, or caliphate, that ruled over the Middle East and beyond in various forms over Islam's history.
- But ISIS has managed to do what al-Qaida never has — carve out a large swath of territory in the heart of the Arab world and control it.

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#### This is Verruckt



**ANDREW FIFIELD**  
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Behold Verruckt, opening this summer in Kansas City and verified by Guinness as the world's tallest waterslide. After hiking more than 250 steps to the top, riders are strapped in a four-person raft and sent down an early vertical 168-foot drop, because lesser waterslides are for babies.

Obviously, hydrothrillseekers are eager to see what it's capable of, so a park designer and ride engineer rigged a few POV cameras and took it for a spin.

If you're wondering what incredible phrase the Germans managed to squeeze into "verruckt," it just means insane — which is disappointing. (SDG/YouTube)



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# Burning down the barn at Stampede's Grandstand

**Barnburner.** This year's show features several choreographed numbers performed by The Young Canadians



**BACKSTAGE PASS**  
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Angela Benson knew she wanted to be a dancer since the age of three.

So when she suffered a hip injury while working as a cruise ship entertainer, Benson was worried she'd have to leave the world of dance behind.

But in 2004, as she was receiving physiotherapy, Benson visited her old friends and instructors at The Young Canadians School of Performing Arts and got her career back on track.

"They asked me what I was doing and I told them I was still trying to figure out what to do," Benson said.

"They said, 'Why don't you come and assist and see how you like it?' Teaching and assisting were never in my plans, but I loved it. It's so exciting and rewarding to be on the other side of the stage and to see youths grow into mature, talented performers."

A decade later, Benson is the artistic director of The Young Canadians, which offers performing arts training scholarships for youth between the ages of seven and 19.



The annual TransAlta Grandstand Show at the Calgary Stampede features the talents of The Young Canadians. CONTRIBUTED

Though she admits she sometimes misses being on stage, Benson says she's happy to live vicariously through her students, especially at this time of year, when The Young Canadians gear up for their biggest annual spectacle, the TransAlta Grandstand Show at the Calgary Stampede.

"I really fight back the tears sometimes when I'm watching the show," says the 31-year-old Benson. "Some of these kids come in with little to no training. They can't even clap in rhythm. But they push

themselves and do such a great job on stage."

A Calgary Stampede tradition, the Grandstand Show is an eye-catching 75-minute production featuring an international cast, special guests and several choreographed musical numbers performed by the 110-person-strong Young Canadians troupe.

This year's Grandstand Show, titled Barnburner, is hosted by four-time Stampede winning chuckwagon racer Tom Glass, and is a tribute to the sport and Calgary's west-

## When and where

- The Calgary Stampede kicks off Thursday and runs until July 13.

chuckwagon races and ends around 11 p.m. with a fireworks display.

- The TransAlta Grandstand Show starts at 9:55 p.m. following the nightly GMC Rangeland Derby

- For more information and tickets, visit [calgarystampede.com](http://calgarystampede.com)

ern heritage.

"The running theme is the western roots of the Stampede," says Benson. "After

the chuckwagon races there's always a party back in the barns. We're bringing that party to the audiences."

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Shia LaBeouf ALL PHOTOS GETTY IMAGES

## They tried to make Shia go to rehab, he said no, no, no (but did seek help)

A publicist says Shia LaBeouf is being treated for alcoholism. Melissa Kates said Tuesday the 28-year-old actor has not checked into a rehab facility, but is receiving voluntary treatment for alcohol addiction. Kates said in a statement that LaBeouf's recent actions — which include an arrest for disrupting a Broadway play — are symptoms of a larger health problem. She said he has taken

the first of many necessary steps toward recovery. LaBeouf was charged with disorderly conduct, criminal trespass and harassment during a production of Cabaret last week. The actor was arrested for drunken driving in 2008 after he crashed his pickup truck, injuring his hand and knee. LaBeouf is best known for appearing in the first three Transformers films. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

## Jewel follows her Intuition, splits with hubby after 16-year relationship

Singer Jewel and her husband are divorcing after a 16-year relationship. The 40-year-old writes in a letter posted on her website that she and Ty Murray want their separation "to be nothing less loving than the way we came together." A representative for the singer confirmed the news Wednesday. Jewel and Murray were married in 2008. They have a son named Kase. Jewel says she decided to write the post — called Dear World — to inform her fans before the news broke in the tabloids. Her hits include



Jewel

You Were Meant for Me, Foolish Games and Intuition. Her 1995 debut album, Pieces of You, has sold more than 12 million units in the United States. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

# METRO DISH

OUR TAKE ON THE WORLD OF CELEBRITIES

### The Word



## It's hard to Get Her Back when she won't listen to the album

MELINDA TAUB  
Metro in New York City

I know I'm not the only one who thinks Get Her Back is kind of gross. I appreciate that Robin Thicke misses his ex-wife Paula Patton, but dude — making a video of a Paula look-alike drowning in a skull mask before flashing the words "This is just the beginning," is unlikely to get you anything but a restraining order.

Luckily, there's one person who hasn't experienced the full weight of Robin Thicke's creepy take

on romance: Paula Patton herself, who hasn't listened to the album. "I don't think she wants to hear it right now," Robin told Hot 97. "I can't speak for her, but I think space is an important part of any healing process."

Kudos to Paula. I imagine there's not much that would hurt Robin Thicke more than refusing to listen to him croon about you.

Paula is making sure that their healing process is spacious indeed. In addition to refusing to listen to his music, she and Robin haven't seen each other in four months. That must take some work, since they share a four-year-old son. Maybe they pass him back and forth wearing blindfolds — and, for Paula, earplugs, in case of any crooning sneak attacks.



Cameron Diaz

## It may not be a real sex tape, but Cameron Diaz still bares all in it

Cameron Diaz does something she's never done before in her upcoming movie Sex Tape. She gets naked on camera. It's a first for the 41-year-old actress, who described the experience to Esquire magazine as "just a part of the role." She says her co-star Jason Segel also gets nude onscreen.

In Sex Tape, Diaz and

Segel play a bored married couple who decide to spice things up by filming a sex tape. After it's accidentally leaked, they try to get it back. She also has a labour scene in the film. Diaz has been open about not wanting children in real life, saying she never really wanted to be a mother.

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## Nicole Scherzinger talks about battle with bulimia

In the new issue of British Cosmopolitan magazine, singer and former Pussycat Dolls member Nicole Scherzinger opens up about her secret struggle with bulimia. "It is such a horrible paralyzing disease and it was such a dark time for me ... It robs you of living your life," she tells the magazine.

Scherzinger hopes that sharing her story will serve as an inspiration for other people who are struggling with an eating disorder. "You can recover and you can get rid of it forever," she says. "I did it and



Nicole Scherzinger

that's why it's so important for me to share my story."

She says that she developed the eating disorder when she was in her early 20s. **METRO**

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# 3 braids to beat the heat

City humidity and heat doesn't mean you have to spend summer in ponytails and messy buns. DreamDry senior stylist Faith Huffnagle shares with us three beautiful braided styles that not only look awesome, but keep you cool.

Bonus: All three styles are easier to do when your hair is a little dirty, so go ahead and hit snooze.

EMILY LAURENCE  
Metro World News



## For the beginner braider: The Fishtail

This fishtail braid looks elaborate, but it seriously only takes five minutes to do. Part your hair and divide it into two sections. Huffnagle recommends a side part so your braid will land over your shoulder. Take a small part of the outer section of one of the two sections you divided your hair into and cross it over, adding it to the inside of the other hair section. Then, do the exact same thing with the other side. Keep your braid tight or it will fall out later. When you're done, secure the end with an elastic and pin in any fly-aways. Pro tip: "The smaller the sections are that you pull from the two bigger sections, the more bone-like and delicate the braid will look," Huffnagle says.

## For the intermediate braider: The Juliette

The Juliette is perfect if you are going out to drinks with friends or on a date. Start by sectioning the top third part of your hair and dividing it into three sections. Start a regular braid, but after the first pull, drop one of the section parts and weave a new section part in with the other two section parts. You will be adding to the two original sections all the way around your head, dropping one section with each pull, creating the cascading waterfall look. "If a layer ends, just connect it to another piece of hair in the back and continue from there," Huffnagle advises.

Use a curling wand to create the soft waves. "To really highlight the waterfall, curl the small sections cascading from your horizontal braid," Huffnagle says.



## For the expert braider: The Bianca

This crown braid has a bohemian music festival look to it that makes it perfect for summer. Start by grabbing a four-inch section of hair behind your ear. Then, divide that section in to three equal parts, like you would to start a normal braid. What makes this outside braid different from a normal braid is that you are constantly moving the centre piece, pulling it over both ways. The front piece ends up joining the back piece, very similarly to a French braid. Keep going around your head by pulling more hair from the top all the way around. As you braid, make sure it's tight; you can pull it apart a little at the end to loosen it up. Once you get all the way around your head, finish braiding any extra hair, secure it with an elastic and pin it behind your ear or in the back. Pull the braid apart a bit to make it look more relaxed.

### Keeping your hair summer safe

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# Lasso summer with rope accents

We usually think of natural rope as utilitarian, used to tie down furnishings on moving day or keep parcels tightly sealed. But its rough-hewn texture offers an excellent way to add a relaxed eco-look to interiors. Available in many colours and thicknesses, rope is fantastic for DIY projects. Not so handy? Here are some products (and inspiration) that tie the knot in style.



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## Get your napkins in a twist

Set sail for elegant dining. Braided Nautical Rope Napkin Ring, \$4.70, BedBathAndBeyond.ca



## Lash your mirror to the wall

Simple wood-framed mirror gets a casual lift from its chunky rope and decorative knobs. Emilio Wall Mirror, \$360, CrateAndBarrel.com

## Jute as much as you can handle

Stylist Sibella Court's sleek iron handle gets wrapped in natural jute rope for humble nautical flair. Fixed Rope Handle, \$12, Anthropologie.com



## Pendant lamp shows you the ropes

Rope, wood and glass make for an eco-stylish light fixture. Mango Large Hanging Pendant, \$232, VdeVmaison.com

## Lay your cords on the table

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# Subtract fish and add mussels

## Mussel Potato Cakes with Apple Chutney.

This dish combines unlikely flavours for a delightful combination

"Fish cakes are a staple in the Maritime provinces. Traditionally they were made with salt cod, but now that cod stocks have been depleted, other fish are used," write Alain Bossé and Linda Duncan in their book *Mussels*. "In this recipe, we've replaced the fish with mussels and green tomato chow commonly served with fish cakes with apple chutney."

### Apple Chutney

1. Core and dice the apples.

2. In a frying pan, melt the butter over medium heat and add the apple pieces. Bring to a boil, and stir in the brown sugar and cinnamon. Reduce the heat and simmer until the apples are tender, stirring occasionally. Can be served hot or cold.

### Mussel Potato Cakes

1. Rinse the mussels under running fresh water. Throw away any that do not close.

2. In a large pot, add the apple juice and mussels. Cover with a lid and cook on high for approximately 5 to 6 minutes or until steam is pouring out from under the lid.

3. Let the mussels cool. Remove the mussel meat from the shells and put it in a covered bowl or dish. Reserve half a cup (125 ml) of the broth.

4. Place the onions and mussel broth in a sauté pan and bring to a boil. Reduce the heat to a simmer and cook until the onions are soft and the liquid is reduced by half.

5. Place mashed potatoes, onions, broth, parsley, summer savory, eggs and mussel meat in a large bowl. Gently mix by hand. Form into 3 oz (100 g) cakes; coat lightly with flour.

6. Fry the mussel cakes in but-

ter over medium heat until crisp and golden brown on both sides.

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### Ingredients

#### Apple Chutney

- 2 medium apples
- 1 1/2 tbsp (22.5 ml) butter
- 1/4 cup (60 ml) packed brown sugar
- 1/4 tsp (1 ml) cinnamon

#### Mussel Potato Cakes

- 2 lb (1 kg) mussels
- 1/2 cup (125 ml) apple juice

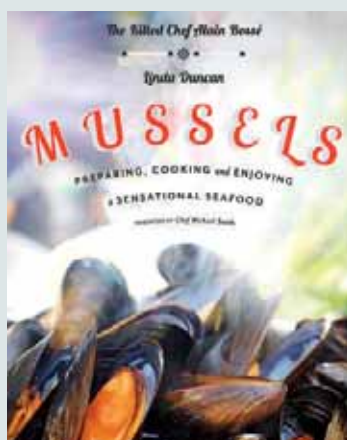
- 1 large onion, chopped
- 3 cups (750 ml) cooked mashed potatoes
- 2 tbsp (30 ml) chopped fresh parsley
- 1 1/2 tbsp (22.5 ml) summer savory
- 2 eggs, beaten
- 1/4 cup (60 ml) flour
- 2 tbsp (30 ml) butter

### Cookbook of the Week

## Mussel your way through the kitchen

Alain Bossé and Linda Duncan combine their love for mussels in their aptly titled book *Mussels: Preparing, Cooking and Enjoying a Sensational Seafood*.

The release features 77 recipes that range from expected dishes such as apps, salads and mains, to pies and cocktails. Enjoy recipes such as Cajun Mussel Soup, Mussels Carbonara, Coconut and Panko Mus-



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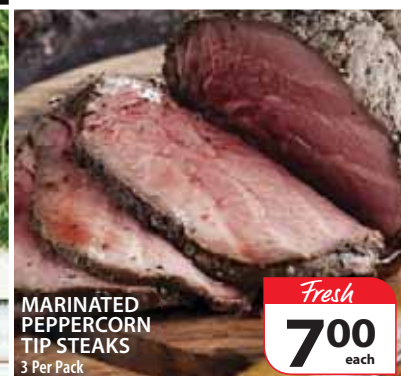
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# Bouchard, Raonic extend Canada Day

**Wimbledon.** Emerging young singles setting new standards for Canadian excellence

First there was Canada's Davis Cup semifinal appearance last fall. Next came Eugenie Bouchard's trip to the final four at the Australian Open early this year.

Now Bouchard is getting ready to play in her third straight Grand Slam semifinal at Wimbledon and this time she will be joined there by fellow Canadian Milos Raonic. It's the most significant achievement yet in the country's rise as a tennis power as no two Canadians have ever advanced this far at one major.

"I'm sure that the outbreak and the response back home is of much more magnitude than anything else that's happened or that's resonated," Raonic said Wednesday after defeating Australian wild card Nick Kyrgios 6-7 (4), 6-2, 6-4, 7-6 (4) to advance to his first career Grand Slam semifinal.

"I think not only (Bouchard) in the last two Slams, but us doing it at the same time here is bigger than anything we've done in Davis Cup, anything

## Support from a trailblazer

**"I'm telling you she's going to No. 1. I watched her play. I don't watch too much women's tennis, to be honest with you. I watched that match and I was just blown away."**

Canadian Carling Bassett-Seguso — a former world No. 8 almost 30 years ago — predicting more success for Eugenie Bouchard



Canada's Milos Raonic celebrates after beating Nick Kyrgios on Wednesday at Wimbledon. BEN CURTIS/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

we've done at Fed Cup. It has a bigger audience, a bigger meaning, a bigger recognition."

Bouchard advanced to her third straight major semifinal by defeating Germany's Angelique Kerber 6-3, 6-4. The result is expected to move her

into eighth on the WTA rankings list Monday, equalling the Canadian-best ranking held by Carling Bassett-Seguso.

"I'm excited to be in the semis. But, of course, I'm never satisfied, so I definitely want to go a step further, or as far as I can," Bouchard said.

Both have their work cut out for them in the semifinals.

Raonic has not beaten his semifinal opponent, seven-time Wimbledon champion Roger Federer, in four career matches. Bouchard has less history with her opponent, Romania's Simona Halep.

The Romanian won their

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only meeting, on hardcourt at Indian Wells last March. But fourth-ranked Halep, like Bouchard, is a rising star.

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## 'I was just blown away'

### Bouchard has a fan in trailblazer

The only Canadian woman to achieve a world top-10 ranking in tennis is watching Eugenie Bouchard's run at Wimbledon with great interest.

Carling Bassett-Seguso was a world No. 8 almost 30 years ago. Currently 13th, Bouchard is assured of equalling that when the next rankings are released Monday.

"I'm telling you she's going to No. 1," Bassett-Seguso told The Canadian Press following Bouchard's quarter-final win over Angelique Kerber on Wednesday.

"I watched her play. I don't watch too much women's tennis to be honest with you. I watched that match and I was just blown away."

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## Will and Kate

### Genie makes room for Royals

Eugenie Bouchard was minutes away from walking out for her quarter-final match when she found herself in the middle of a royal moment: Prince William, second in line to the British throne, was in the house with his wife, Kate.

"It was funny, when we walked out at five to 1 of the members' locker-room, all these security guards rushed over to us and were like, 'Nobody move. Move your bags to the side. There's some royals coming through.' We're like, 'OK.'"

"So we were just waiting, and then suddenly William and Kate walk by to go on Centre Court. I was a little bit in awe."

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# Bombers refuse to take Redblacks lightly



Fred Rouse and the Redblacks will play their first regular-season game on Thursday against the Blue Bombers in Winnipeg. BRENT JUST/GETTY IMAGES

Opposing players are rarely popular in Winnipeg, but quarterback Henry Burris expects a special level of animosity when he leads the Ottawa Redblacks on the field for their first regular-season game as a CFL franchise Thursday at Investors Group Field.

"I'm the most hated man in the Prairies now, I guess," said Burris, who spurned an offer to quarterback the Blue Bombers.

He says he made the decision to be closer to family in

## Cramping Willy's style



**"You've got to play what your eyes see."**

Blue Bombers quarterback Drew Willy says he's not quite sure what to expect in facing the Redblacks' defence.

Springfield, Mass., but also to be part of something historic — the return of Ottawa to the CFL.

Bombers head coach Mike O'Shea may not know exactly what to expect from the Redblacks on Thursday but he says there are a lot of reasons, including Burris, not to look at them as just an expansion team.

"They're going to be well coached," he said.

"Their GM didn't hire guys that don't have CFL experience. These are all guys that are very well-versed in the CFL game. They're going to be well-prepared."

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Olli Jokinen signed a one-year deal with the perennially low-scoring Nashville Predators on Wednesday.  
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## Predators add veteran Jokinen to re-jigged offence

**NHL free agency.** GM Poile hopes steady hand at centre can team up with James Neal to light lamp in Nashville

The Nashville Predators signed centre Olli Jokinen on Wednesday in their latest attempt to boost an offence that has lacked punch.

The 35-year-old Jokinen had 18 goals and 25 assists in 82 games last season for the Winnipeg Jets. He signed a one-year deal worth \$2.5 million.

"Olli is a guy that all through his career has played against the top lines," Predators general manager David Poile said during a news con-

ference. "He's a big, physical player that can play against the best players in the National Hockey League. His record speaks for itself. He's a guy that's scored a lot of goals in his career. We expect that this is another guy that's going to help us increase our offensive production."

The Predators ranked 19th in the league with 2.61 goals per game last season and missed the playoffs for the second straight year. After the season, the Predators fired Barry Trotz — the only coach in franchise history — and replaced him with Peter Laviolette.

Laviolette and Poile have discussed the Predators' hopes of improving the team's offence. The Predators' off-season moves have reflected that desire.

The Predators acquired forward James Neal in a Friday trade that sent forwards Patric Hornqvist and Nick Spaling to the Pittsburgh Penguins. Neal had 27 goals and 34 assists in 59 games this season, which marked the sixth straight year he scored at least 20 goals.

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### Around the league

It was a slow Day 2 of NHL free agency but there were a few notable signings on Wednesday.

- The New York Islanders made the biggest splash by signing forwards Mikhail Grabovski and Nikolai Kulemin to four-year contracts. Grabovski's deal is worth \$20 million, while Kulemin will make \$16.75 million.
- The Vancouver Canucks signed right wing Radim Vrbata to a two-year, \$10 million deal. The 33-year-old had 20 goals and 31 assists in 80 games last season for Arizona.
- Forward Chris Bourque is back in the NHL after agreeing to a deal with the New York Rangers.
- The Devils re-signed fourth-line linemates, forwards Steve Bernier and Stephen Gionta.

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### Twenty somethings

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Olli Jokinen has scored at least 20 goals in seven seasons and has reached the 30-goal mark four times.



# Encarnacion's 9th-inning homer gives Jays victory

**Big hit.** Jays sweep Milwaukee, Encarnacion tied for season's lead in home runs

The Milwaukee Brewers could have intentionally walked Edwin Encarnacion to load the bases with two outs in the bottom of the ninth of a tie game.

Instead they decided to pitch to the Toronto slugger, and he ended the game in walk-off fashion.

Encarnacion turned on a 3-1 slider from Brandon Kintzler for a no-doubt three-run shot that gave the Blue Jays a 7-4 win over the Brewers on Wednesday afternoon.



Edwin Encarnacion gets a wet welcome after hitting a game-winning homer Wednesday  
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"He hanged (it), I banged it," Encarnacion said. The win gave Toronto (47-

39) a two-game mini-sweep of Milwaukee (51-35) and extended the Blue Jays' lead atop the American League East to 1-1/2 games over Baltimore. The Orioles were scheduled to play the Texas Rangers later Wednesday.

Encarnacion, who's now tied for the major-league lead with 26 homers, raised his arms in the air after finishing his swing. He dropped the bat, clapped his hands a few times and began to trot around the bases as the 24,286 fans at Rogers Centre roared in approval.

"For me it's the best moment you can have," Encarnacion said. "For any player to have a walk-off home run. So everybody (is) happy on the team and we're going to fly a five-hour happy flight today."

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## New Kidd on the block

Newly named Bucks head coach Jason Kidd smiles Wednesday as he is introduced in Milwaukee. Kidd was hired Tuesday morning by the Milwaukee Bucks, a day after they sent two second-round picks to the Nets as compensation.

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### Canada goose

## Giroux accused of groping cop

The Philadelphia Flyers say they are aware of stories out of Ottawa "surrounding" Claude Giroux, who was reportedly arrested Tuesday night for allegedly grabbing the buttocks of a male police officer.

Police say they don't expect charges to be laid.

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### NBA

## Raptors re-sign Kyle Lowry

Kyle Lowry is staying with the Raptors.

The veteran point guard who led Toronto to its first post-season appearance in five years tweeted he's re-signed with the team.

Lowry was the top point guard available in NBA free agency.

The 28-year-old is coming off a stellar season.

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## Canadians FINISH THE SENTENCE

Play Taxi Media, the Canadian based media company with a national ridership of touch screens in taxicabs, asked more than 4,500 riders across the country to finish a series of questions and shares with Metro News their findings.

### LOVE:



Thoughts on a riders relationship with their ex demonstrated a strong correlation between men and women feeling that they were much better off without their past lover. In terms of crushes, men and women scored "neck in neck" in noting that most currently do not have a crush but men did score higher when it came to admitting a current crush on a coworker.

### LIFESTYLE:



When asked what most riders felt they should change about their current lifestyle, the percentage of men to women who felt they could be a better friend proved equal. The majority of women indicated that they are most keen on going back to school while the bulk of men noted that they felt they needed to slow down on partying. Life also "won't be complete" until the majority of women travel with their male counterparts wanting to finish with more money. Both sexes equally demonstrated the ultimate goal is to get married and start families.

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## World Cup. Colombia soars, Brazil stumbles

Brazil and Colombia enter the World Cup quarterfinals with totally different mindsets.

Brazil is surrounded by doubts after a more difficult start than expected to the tournament it is hosting. Colombia is upbeat after convincing performances and four straight wins.

While the hosts narrowly beat Chile in a penalty shootout to avoid elimination in the second round, the Colombians had a convincing 2-0 win over Uruguay to reach the quarterfinals for the first time.

The South American rivals play Friday in the northeastern city of Fortaleza, with Brazil hoping to keep alive its quest for a sixth World Cup title and Colombia aiming to extend its best-ever run in football's showcase event.

Despite its tradition and home-field advantage, Brazil is far from a big favourite. An uncomfortable opening

win over Croatia, a draw with Mexico and a win over Cameroon in the group stage preceded the tight knockout match against Chile, when Brazil advanced on penalties.

Meanwhile Colombia has won all of its matches without any real difficulty, thanks in part to the tournament's second-best attack with 11 goals, one less than the Netherlands. It also has a strong defence with only two goals conceded. Brazil, meanwhile, has scored eight goals and conceded three.

Brazil has reached the quarterfinals in six consecutive World Cups, but was eliminated at this stage in the last two.

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### Quoted



"Matches are decided on penalties, in the final minutes, on mistakes."

Luiz Felipe Scolari, coach of Brazilian national soccer team on unexpected game results in World Cup 2014

### World Cup roundup

- Police in Brazil's biggest city say they used stun grenades and tear gas to disperse thousands of soccer fans raucously celebrating Argentina's 1-0 World Cup victory over Switzerland. A Sao Paulo police department press officer says the partying by close to 3,000 people — mostly Argentines — began Tuesday afternoon and only ended early Wednesday morning, "when we were called in to disperse the crowd that had gotten too rowdy."

- France was thrust among the tournament favourites after scoring a combined eight goals against Switzerland and Honduras in the group stage. Yet, coach Didier Deschamps' inexperienced team perhaps struggled under the weight of lofty expectations. Deschamps counts France as the underdog when they meet Germany Friday. "Don't forget that in the last two competitions, Germany have reached the semifinals so it counts for something," he said, referring to the 2010 World Cup and the European Championship in 2012.

## Horoscopes

### Aries

March 21 - April 20

Don't worry too much about details today. Instead, focus on the bigger picture. That applies as much to your personal life as it does to your work. Don't let loved ones pin you down to plans that stifle your creativity.

### Taurus

April 21 - May 21

There is no need to be quite so competitive. The planets indicate if you relax, the rewards will be greater than you imagined. And, you won't have wasted time and your energy on senseless rivalries.

### Gemini

May 22 - June 21

With Venus moving through your birth sign, you seem to be more mellow than usual and that's good. It's also necessary as something is about to occur that will take you by surprise.

### Cancer

June 22 - July 23

Don't expect everything to go according to plan today. It may be that a colleague is jealous of your success and will say things that are designed to undermine you. Don't take them seriously.

### Leo

July 24 - Aug. 23

Over the next 24 hours something will make you want to let the world know what a passionate human being you can be. The only danger is you will come on too strong and frighten special someone away.

### Virgo

Aug. 24 - Sept. 23

Put chores out of your mind and focus on what makes you feel good about yourself. Think of dreams you had and plans you made and give yourself credit for coming this far.

### Libra

Sept. 24 - Oct. 23

Travel and social plans may be disrupted today, so try not to make promises you won't be able to keep. There is no point trying to look too far ahead.

### Scorpio

Oct. 24 - Nov. 22

What happens today will bring a chance to make much-needed cash but you are going to have to be less conservative in your money-making ventures. You don't have to gamble but be open to alternative possibilities.

### Sagittarius

Nov. 23 - Dec. 21

Break a few rules today. The planets are urging you to do something that stirs things up a bit in your quiet little corner of the world. Rock the boat and see who falls out.

### Capricorn

Dec. 22 - Jan. 20

As Venus, planet of harmony, is moving through the area of your chart that governs your wellbeing, take things easy today. That's easy by Capricorn standards — people will still get exhausted just watching you.

### Aquarius

Jan. 21 - Feb. 19

Your passion for a creative project knows no bounds. There is, however, a danger that you could lose touch with reality and allow it to become all-consuming. Don't forget to come up for air, occasionally.

### Pisces

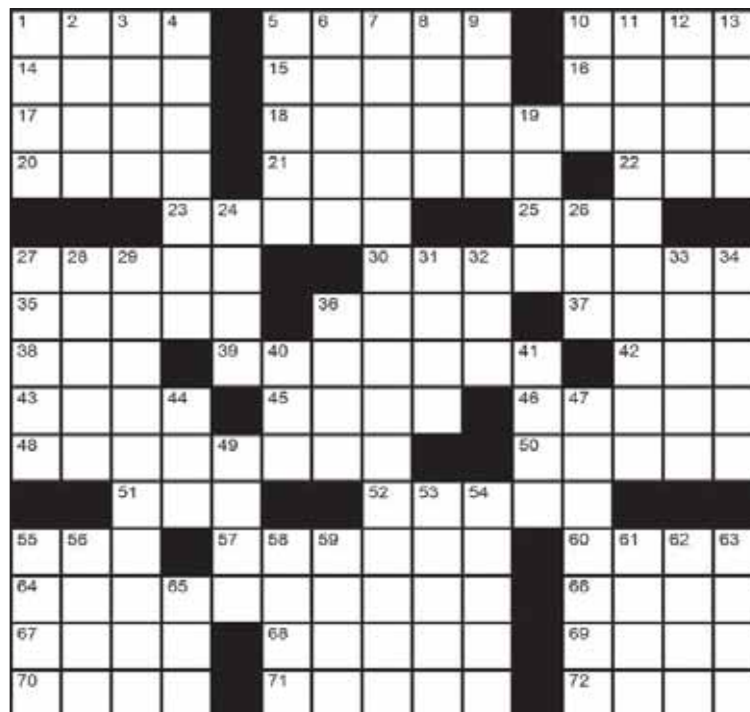
Feb. 20 - March 20

Feelings you have been keeping hidden will burst out for the world to see today and, yes, it will be embarrassing. But better to be embarrassed than to go on pretending you don't care. You always care. **SALLY BROMPTON**

## Crossword: Canada Across and Down

### Across

1. The Four \_\_\_ (Canadian singing quartet)
5. Gawky
10. Pinnacle
14. Division
15. Curved
16. "The Maple Leaf Forever" composer: Alexander \_\_\_ (b.1830 - d.1906)
17. And, e.g.
18. GGFG = Governor General's \_\_\_
20. "On the Loose" is by which Canadian rock band?
21. One who evades
22. Fragment
23. Soil fertilizers
25. Sad ER declaration
27. Streetside 'steeping' spots
30. Casey or Finnegan, e.g.: 2 wds.
35. Provide cheer
36. "Bye!"
37. Fight
38. \_\_\_ Tin Tin
39. Crop \_\_\_ (Designs in the wheatfields)
42. French season
43. Requests
45. 1990s kind of party
46. Actress Amy
48. "The Fault in Our Stars" (2014) star Ms. Woodley
50. Bothers
51. Nero's 511
52. Excavation extraction
55. Dined



57. Paltry
60. Canadian songstress, Shakura S' \_\_\_
64. Gen-Xer's kid, perhaps
66. "Canadian \_\_\_"
67. Great Lake
68. \_\_\_ (\$1,000)
69. Film holder
70. Crew \_\_\_ top
71. Celine's hubby,

- and namesakes
72. Simple

### Down

1. Montreal-born hockey great Mr. Robitaille's
2. Kind of buffalo
3. \_\_\_-dong! (Doorbell sound)
4. \_\_\_ Village (Win-

- nipeg neighbour-hood)
5. More secure
6. Web forum annoy-er
7. When a musician 'unplugs' he/she is doing a what of their song?: 2 wds.
8. Like a brought-back-to-the-store item

- [abbr.]
9. The \_\_\_ (U2 guitarist)
10. Li'l music trophy
11. House's exterior as landscaping, etc. in real estate: 2 wds.
12. 'Noon' in Nice
13. In the past, in verse
19. Language of

- Pakistan
24. "Hey! Hold on \_\_\_!"
26. Ancient Rome: Harvest goddess
27. Org. that handles the Juno Awards
28. "Witness" (1985) folk
29. "One Nation Under a Groove" band
31. Low-lying area
32. 'P' in literary monogram EAP
33. Celebrated currants-created Cake communication: 2 wds.
34. Hair lock
36. Ocean Spray flavour, \_\_\_-Raspberry
40. Anger
41. Wrapped garment
44. VI
47. Veronic \_\_\_ (Canadian impersonator whose repertoire includes Adele and Lady Gaga)
49. Citrus fruit
53. Uplift
54. Mr. Lovett's
55. Church word!
56. Canadian \_\_\_ 'Money'
58. Bldg. planner
59. Canadian chef Ms. Yarmowich
61. Brain wave
62. John and Jane
63. Friendly nation
65. Currency in Albania

## Yesterday's Crossword



## Sudoku

### How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved.

## Yesterday's Sudoku



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North Hill Centre

##### Southeast

Chinook Centre  
Deerfoot Meadows  
Shepard Centre  
Southcentre Mall  
1288 42nd Ave. SE  
4410 50th Ave. SE  
4825 Macleod Trail S  
6039 Centre St. S  
6100 Macleod Trail S  
7845 Flint Rd. SE

##### Southwest

Bankers Hall  
Bow Valley Square  
The Core  
Shawnessy Shopping Centre  
Westbrook Mall  
Westhills Town Centre  
321 6th Ave. SW  
2008 33rd Ave. SW  
4623 Bow Trail SW

##### Airdrie

2145 Summerfield Blvd.

##### Cochrane

201 Grand Blvd. W

##### Okotoks

31 Southridge Dr.  
118 Elizabeth St.

##### Rocky View County

CrossIron Mills

##### Strathmore

55 Wheatland Trail

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